UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK ROZA GANTMAN,

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Plaintiff,

DOCKET NO.

-against-

PROFESSIONAL CLAIMS BUREAU, INC. Defendant.

# NOTICE OF REMOVAL OF ACTION



TO: THE CLERK OF THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE EASTERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

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PLEASE TAKE NOTICE that pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1441, et seq. defendant PROFESSIONAL CLAIMS BUREAU, INC. (hereinafter referred to as "PCB"), hereby removes this civil action from the Civil Court of the City of New York, County of Queens, to the United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York.

#### I. PROCEEDINGS TO DATE

On or about March 31, 2015, plaintiff, ROZA GANTMAN, filed a summons and complaint dated March 25, 2015 in the civil action captioned ROZA GANTMAN against PROFESSIONAL CLAIMS BUREAU, INC., Index No. 09295/15, in the Civil Court of the City of New York, County of Queens. Defendant has been served with the complaint on April 1, 2015. The complaint alleges a violation of the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, and plaintiff seeks statutory and actual damages as well as attorney fees and other relief.

Copies of all pleadings and other papers plaintiff previously filed with the Civil Court are annexed hereto as Exhibit "A", as required by 28 U.S.C. Section 1446.

# II. GROUNDS FOR REMOVAL

The Court has original jurisdiction over this action because this action arises under a Law of the United States. See 28 U.S.C. Section 1331. This action arises under the Fair Debt Collection Practices Act, 15 U.S.C. Section 1692 et seq. (See Exhibit "A") Accordingly, according to 28 U.S.C. Section 1331, this Court has original jurisdiction over this case.

### III. VENUE

Plaintiff's action is pending in Civil Court of the City of New York, County of Queens, which is within this judicial district and division. 28 U.S.C. Section 112(c). The United States District Court for the Eastern District of New York is the District Court and Division within which CCB may remove this action, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1441(a) and within which defendant must file this Notice of Removal, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1446(a).

### IV. TIMELINESS

This Notice of Removal is timely filed. Defendant was served with a copy of the summons and complaint on April 1,

2015. This notice of Removal complies with 28 U.S.C. Section 1446(b).

### V. NOTICE

Pursuant to 28 U.S.C. Section 1446(b), defendant, PROFESSIONAL CLAIMS BUREAU, INC., is simultaneously filing a copy of this Notice of Removal with the Civil Court of the City of New York, County of Queens. Plaintiff's counsel is also being served with a copy of this Notice of Removal.

### VI. CONCLUSION

For the foregoing reasons, PROFESSIONAL CLAIMS BUREAU, INC. respectfully requests that this action, previously pending in the Civil Court of the City of New York, County of Queens be removed to this Court, and that this Court proceed as if this case had been originally initiated in this Court.

Dated: New City, NY April 20, 2015

Respectful submitted,

ARTHUR SANDERS, ESQ. (AS-1210)

BARRON & NEWBURGER, P.C.

Attorneys for defendant

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# **EXHIBIT A**

CIVIL COURT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK COUNTY OF QUEENS

REZA GANTMAN

**Plaintiff** 

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PROFESSIONAL CLAIMS BUREAU, INC.

Defendant.

To the above named defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY SUMMONED to appear in the Civil Court of the City of New York, County of Queens at the office of the Clerk of the said Count at 89-17 Supplie Boulevard, in the County of Queens, City and State of New York, within the time provided by law as noted below and to file your answer to the armexed complaint with the Clerk; upon your failure to asswer, judgment will be taken against you for the sum of \$1.000 together with the costs of this action and attorney less to the extent permitted by law.

Dated: Queens, New York March 25, 2015

> RC Law Group, PLLC Hy: Matthew Sarlos, Esq. 7118 Main Street, Suite 2 Flushing, New York 11367 tol: 718,705,8700 ext. 224

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Plaintiffs Residence Address: 6704 11th Street

The basis of the venue designated

Flushing, NY 11375

is: Plaintiff's residence

Index No:

**SUMMONS** 

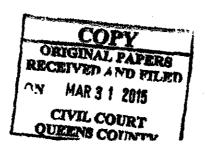
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NOTE: The law provides that:

(a) if this summons is served by its delivery to you personally within the City of New York, you must appear and answer within TWENTY days after such services or

(b) If this automous is served by delivery to any person other than you personally, or is served outside the City of New York, or by publication, or by any means other than personal delivery to you within the City of New York, you are allowed THIRTY days after the proof of service thereof is filed with the Clerk of





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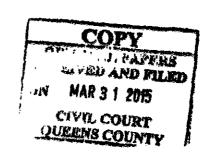
Plaintiff Roza Gantman ("Plaintiff"), by and through his attorneys, RC Law Group, PLLC, as and for his Complaint against Defendant Professional Claims Bureau. Inc. ("Defendant"), respectfully sets forth, complains and alleges, upon information and belief, the following:

### INTRODUCTION/PRELIMINARY STATEMENT

1. Plaintiff brings this action for damages and declaratory and injunctive relief arising from the Defendant's violation(s) of section 1692 et. seq. of Title 15 of the United States Code, commonly referred to as the Foir Debt Collections Practices Act ("FIX").

### PARTIES

- Plaintiff, a natural person, is a resident of the State of New York, County of Queens, residing at 6704-110th Street, Plushing, New York.
- Defendant is a business corporation, organized and existing under the laws of the state of New York, with an address at 439 Oak Street, Clarden City, New York.

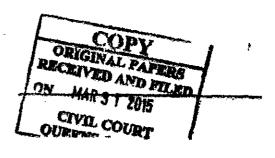


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4. Defendant is a "debt collector" as the phrase is defined in 15 U.S.C. 8 1692(a)(6) and used in the PDCPA.

### **PACTUAL ALLEGATIONS**

- 5. Plaintiff incorporates by reference all of the above paragraphs of this Complaint as though fully stated herein with the same force and effect as if the same were set forth at length herein.
- 6. On information and helief, on a date better known to Defendant, Defendant began collection activities on an alleged consumer debt (the "Alleged Debt") fflor the Plaintiff.
- 7. The Alleged Debt was incurred as a financial obligation that was primarily for personal. family or household purposes and is therefore a "debt" as that term is defined by 15 U.S.C. § 1692a(5).
- 8. On or around April 10, 2014. Defendant caused to be delivered to the Plaintiff's letter (the "Letter") addressed to the Plaintiff, seeking collection of the Alleged Debt.
- 9. The Letter is a "communication" as defined by 15. U.S.C. § 1692s(2).
- 10. The Latter was mailed in a window envelope (the "Envelope").
- 11. The window of the Envelope displayed Plaintiff's name and mailing address, and above Plaintiff's name, a series of characters, specifically, "0001470381."
- 12. The series of characters revealed through the window of the Envelope included personal and confidential information concerning Plaintiff, specifically, an identifying number that Defendant had assigned to its collection account for the Alleged Debt, "0001470381,"
- 13. In permitting the Letter to be mailed to Plaintiff with the above-described characters visible through the window of the Envelope, Plaintiff was allowing language, numbers,



20. As a result of the Defendant's violations of the PDCPA, Plaintiff has been damaged and is entitled to demands in accordance with the FDCPA.

# DEMAND FOR TRUAL BY JURY

21. Plaintiff demends and hereby respectfully requests a trial by jury for all claims and issues this complaint to which Plaintiff is or may be entitled to a jury trial.

## PRAYER FOR RELIEF

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff Roza Gentman demands judgment from Defendant Professional Claims Bureau, Inc. as follows:

- 2) For actual damages provided and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. § 1692k(a)(1):
- b) For statuting damages provided and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 8 1692k(a)(2)(A):
- For attorney fees and costs provided and pursuant to 15 U.S.C. 4 1692k(s)(3); c)
- đ) A declaration that the Defendant's practices violated the FDCPA; and
- 0) For any such other and further relief, as well as further costs, expenses and disburgements of this action as this Court may deem just and proper.

Dated: Queens, New York March 25, 2015

> RC Law Group, PLLC By: Matthew Sorles, Esq. 7118 Main Street, Suite 2 Flushing, New York 11367

wl: 718.705.8700 ext. 224



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PROFESSIONAL CLAIMS BUREAU, INC., Defendant.	

I hereby certify under the penalty of perjury that on April 2/2, 2015, I caused to be served, by first class mail, the within Notice of Removal of Action upon:

MATTHEW SARLES, ESQ. RC LAW GROUP, PLLC Attorney for plaintiff 7118 Main Street, Suite 2 Flushing, NY 11367

ARTHUR SANDERS, ESQ. (AS-1210)